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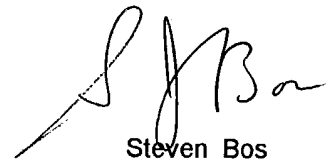
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The reply filed on August 17, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the amendment does not comply with 37 CFR 1.121 in that it does not show all deletions with strikethrough or other acceptable means in claim 1 where "differentially heat the first and second group of particles, thereby increasing the" has been deleted. It is noted that new claims 24-27 are ambiguous in that this language is missing from the claims. Also, in claim 5, the change from "or" to -of— is not properly shown. Also, in claim 9, lines 6,7, the change to "amount" is not properly shown. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**



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